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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL

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1. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. II | Priority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. III | Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. IV | Lack of unity of invention |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Box No. V | Reasoned statement under Rule 43-2.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement |
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2. Further Action

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Intern. application No. PCT/JP2004/002464

I. Basis of the opinion

1. Unless otherwise indicated under this item, this written opinion was drawn up based on the language in which the international application was filed.
[] This written opinion is in the following language _____ which is:
The language of a translation furnished for the purposes of the international search (under Rule 12.3 and 23.1 (b)).
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V. Reasoned statement under Rule 43-2.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	<u>1</u>	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims	<u>1</u>	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims	<u>1</u>	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and Explanations

References

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2. DE 3905908 A (BAYER AG) 1990.09.06
3. Tetrahedron Letters, 1990, Vol.31, No.3, p. 349-52
4. Journal of Organic Chemistry, 1978, Vol.43, No.19, p.3788-9

Explanations

Claim 1

The invention described in claim 1 has novelty and an inventive step over the references cited in the International Search Report.

References 1-4 do not describe reacting a quinolinecarbaldehyde compound represented by the formula (II) and an imine compound represented by the formula (III), as described in claim 1 of the present application, and such reaction is not obvious to even those of ordinary skill in the art from the description of references 1-4.